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and was the Col. Richard Johnson of New Castle, Hanover, who died in 1771 (*Virginia Gazette*). There is a deed in Louisa, 1772, from Dorothy Johnson of Hanover, widow of Col Richard Johnson, deceased

(To be continued)

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YEARDLEY—FLOWERDEWE—WEST

Notes from English Records in Reference to the Yeardley, Flowerdewe and West Families. Furnished from England at the instance of Mr. Griffin (Callahan, Philadelphia, Pa.)  
(Continued)

REPORT

The possible clue to Ralph Yardley's parentage through the will of Humphrey Yardley of Lillington has proven a failure. The result of a visit paid to Lillington is enclosed. The baptisms of the five sons and three daughters mentioned in his will are all recorded in the parish register there, but unfortunately with the exception of Anne, the names fail to agree with the family of Ralph Yardley the merchant tailor. In his will he mentions a brother Thomas and sister Anne, and most probably the Arthur Yardley whom he made free of the Merchant Taylors Company was also his brother.

Previous to the actual search at Lillington, a search with regard to that clue had been made in London, the result of which is also enclosed. The Lay Subsidies for the Knightflow Hundred of Warwickshire show a considerable number of Yardleys living there at that time. The family at Radford Semele seem to have been long established at that place, and the Lillington Yardleys were probably a branch of it.

Chancery Proceedings Series II have been examined & a list is enclosed. They do not throw much light on the subject.

If Ralph Yardley came to London from the midlands he must have done so at an early age. Neither his will, nor his sister Ann Palmer's, make any reference to an old home, as was often done at that time.

If the connection between the Yardleys and Yerwoods could be discovered it would be of great assistance.

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Chancery Proceedings. Series II. A. D. 1558 to 1660.  
Bundle 3 No. 45. Jane Austin v. Robert Yardley. Middlesex  
(Short abstract sent) Bundle 12/39. Thomas Bulkeley v. John Yardley. Chester.  
Bundle 26/53. Bickerstaffe, John, v. John Yardley & Alice his wife. Chester.

12 Feb. 1559-60. The plaintiff accuses the defendants of unlawfully taking from him land in Farndon co. Chester.

Bundle 215/88. William Pearce v. Thomas Yardley, of Stroud, co. Kent, are a right of way.

Bundle 237/9. Anthony Dyot v. John Yardley of Gorcott Hill, co. Warwick, gentleman and another.

Lands in Stichbrooke co. Stafford. Bill dated 1594/5.

Mentions a deed dated 26 Elizabeth [A. D. 1583/4] made to the plaintiff by John Yardley.

Bundle 255/24. Richard Atherton v. Richard Yarwood and others. Middlesex 1599.

Mentions the dwelling house n Southwark of Ambrose Fydler and Richard Yarwoodd, grocers. Gives no information concerning the Yarwood family.

Bundle 255/88. Jane Awsten v. Robert Yardley of Baldocke, co. Herts.

Bundle 308/1. Thos. Field v. William Yardlie of Grubbis Ash, co. Stafford, yeoman. 1619.

Bundle 350/61. William Fitch v. John Yardlie, citizen and fishmonger of London, Essex 1624.

Bundle 404/2. Humphrey Hackett v. Henry Yardley. Lincoln.

Bundle 396/41 Josias Berners and Mary his wife v. John Yardley. re "The Red Lion," Whitechapel Street, Middlesex.

N. B. These Chancery Proceedings have been looked at, but throw no light on the parentage of Ralph Yardley, the merchant tailor.

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Chancery Proceedings. Series II. Bundle 12. No. 39.

[A. D. 1558-1579]

Bulkeley v. Yardeley

Bill [undated]

[Short Abstract] The plaintiff, Thomas Bulkeley of London, yeoman, shews that his late father, Thomas Bulkeley of Farndon co. Chester yeoman, was seised in his lifetime of messuages & lands in Farndon & Churton co. Chester. And being seised, about twenty years before, he mortgaged the said premises to one John Yardeley of Farndon, father of the defendant. The plaintiff states that he has often offered to redeem the mortgage, but the defendant has always refused to accept the money.

Answer [undated]

The defendant John Yardeley denies that the premises in question were mortgaged to his father, but asserts that they were sold to him. By his deed of feoffment dated the 16th of December [A. D. 1547] 1 Edw. VI., Thos. Bulkeley, the father, remised all claim to the said premises to John Yardeley the father. After the death of his said father, the premises descended to the defendant as of right they ought.

Exchequer Lay Subsidy. 192/120 14-15 Henry VIII.

Warwickshire

[A. D. 1524] The indenture dated the 14th of April 15 Henry VIII witnesseth that William Feldyng, William Brown, William Boughton, Thomas Spencer, Roger Wigston & Edward Cave have been appointed Commissioners for collecting the king's subsidy in the hundred of Knightlow, and contains not only the names of all persons chargeable to the said subsidy, but also the best value of their lands & goods, and the rate that they are assessed at.

Asshoo

John Yardeley in goods.....iij ti.....xviij d

Lemyngton Priors

Jamys Yardeley in goods.....xts.....xiij d

Radforde semele

Henry Yardeley in goodes.....viij ti.....iiij s

John Yardeley in goods.....vij ti.....iij s vjd

Kenilworthe

Jone Yardeley in lande.....iij ti.....iij s

Hew Yardeley in lande.....iiij markes.....iij s viij d

Raff Yardeley in goodes.....xx s.....iiij d

Lelyngton

[No Yardeley was assessed here at this date]

Exchequer Lay Subsidy 192/129 14-15 Henry VIII.

[A. D. 1524] Certificate dated 12 December 16 Henry VIII.

Warwickshire. Hundred of Knightlow.

Kyllyngworth [Kenilworth]

Haigh Yardley in lands.....xls.....iij s.

[N. B. The other Yardley entries on this roll are the same as on Roll 192/120]

Exch. Lay Subsidy 192/181 35 Henry VIII.

[A. D. 1545] This indenture dated the 16th of November 37 Henry VIII made between the Commissioners assigned to the hundred of Knightlowe in the county of Warwick for the taxation of the subsidy granted to the king in the parliament held at Westminster the 12th of January [A. D. 1542-3] 34 Henry VIII on the one part, and Cutbert Wren high collector assigned by the said Commissioners for the collection of the last payment of the said subsidy, on the other part. Witnesseth that the said Cutbert Wren hath received the names, sirnames & sums of money of all persons hereunder written, taxed of their lands, possessions & goods.

Lyllyngton

Humfrey Yardley ..... 16 d.

Kenelworth

John Yardley ..... 2 d.

## Radford Semyly

Herry Yardley ..... 10 d.  
 Robert Yardley ..... 4 d.  
 Long Hychyngton  
 Randell Yardley.....£10 in goods.....3 s. 4 d.

Exch. Lay Subsidy 192/174a. 37 Henry VIII.

Hundred of Knightlow in co. Warwick

[A. D. 1545-6] Indenture dated 19 March 37 Henry VIII.

## Radford

Robert Yardley ..... 3 s. 4 d.  
 Kellyngworth (Duchy)  
 Mergery Yardley ..... 6 s.

Exch. Lay Subsidy 192/178.

[A. D. 1547] Indenture dated the 18th April 1 Edw. VI.

Hundred of Knightlow.

## Long Ichington

Randull Yardley .....£5..... 3 s. 4 d.  
 Radford  
 Robert Yardley .....£5..... 3 s. 4 d.  
 Kenelworthe Dochery (Duchy)  
 John Yardley .....£5..... 3 s. 4 d.  
 Lelyngton  
 Humfrey Yardley .....£5..... 3 s. 4 d.  
 Kenelworth dugmentation  
 Margery Yardley in lands....£3..... 6 s.

Exch. Lay Subsidy 193/206 13 Elizabeth

[A. D. 1571] Certificate of the Commissioners appointed to collect the first payment of the subsidy granted to the Queen in the 13th year of her reign, dated the..... day of September 13 Elizabeth, and the names of all persons chargeable to the said subsidy in the hundred of Knighlow, co. Warwick.

## Lylyngton

[No Yardley]

## Rugbye

Thomas Yardley for £3 in goods .....5 s.  
 Radford Semeley  
 John Yardley for 40s. in lands .....5 s. 4 d.

Exch. Lay Subsidy 193/233 35 Elizabeth

[A. D. 1594] Indenture dated the 30th of September 36 Elizabeth

Hundred of Knightflow

## Lyllyngton

[No Yardley assessed here]

Radforde Semeley  
Robert Yardley in lands.....40 s..... 8 s.

Exch. Lay Subsidy 193/243 39 Elizabeth  
[A. D. 1599] Indenture dated the 24th of September 41 Elizabeth  
Hundred of Knightlow  
Radford Seemley  
Robert Yardley in lands.....40 s..... 8 s.  
Lillington  
[No Yardley assessed here]

Exch. Lay Subsidy 193/246  
[A. D. 1598] Indenture dated the 3rd of October 40 Elizabeth  
Hundred of Knightlow  
Radford Seemeley  
Robert Yardley in lands.....40 s..... 8 s.  
[No Yardley assessed in Lyllington]

Court Rolls Portfolio 207, No. 42.  
Kenilworth View of frankpledge with the Courts Baron of  
in co. Warwick our Lord King Henry the eighth, held there on  
[A. D. 1547] Thursday the 29th of January 38 Henry VIII.  
[sic]  
x x x x x  
Asshoo John Yardeley, tithing man there, being sworn,  
presents that Oliver Facokener, John Pewer &  
Thomas Burbage are tenants of this lordship.  
And further all is well.  
Lemyngton View of frankpledge with the Court Baron of  
with Lillyngton the King, held there on Tuesday the 18th of  
[A. D. 1547] January 38 Hen. VIII.  
x x x x x  
The homage Humfrey Yardeley John Nicholles  
in Lillyngton Thomas Benche William Rotley  
Richard Hewett William Grenewey  
Lemyngton View of frankpledge with Court Baron of the  
with Lillington King, held there on Thursday the 13th of  
[A. D. 1547] October 1 Edw. VI.  
x x x x x  
Lillyngton Affeerers Thomas Thwold sworn  
Humfrey Yardeley  
Court Rolls 207/42 [continued]  
Lemyngton View of frankpledge with Court Baron held  
with Lillyngton there on the 5th of April 2 Edw. VI.  
[A. D. 1548]  
x x x x x

Lillyngton                      Humfrey Yardeley is one of the homagers.  
 Lemyngton                      View of frankpledge &c. held there on Mon-  
 with Lillyngton                day, the 21st of October 3 Edw. VI.  
 [A. D. 1549]

x	x	x	x	x
Homage in	Humfrey Yardley		& others named.	
Lyllyngton	John Nicols			
	William Westeley			
Stray 2 s.	Who being sworn say upon their oath that the tithingmen have presented well & truly. Item they present that one ewe sheep, being a stray, is worth two Shillings and remains with Hum- frey Yardeley.			

At the courts held on 8th April 4 Edw. VI. [A. D. 1550.] the 15th  
 October 5 Edw. VI [A. D. 1551] and on the 26th June 5 Edw. VI.  
 [A. D. 1551] Humfrey Yardley was one of the homagers.

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Lillington co Warwick Parish Register.

- 1542. Willyam Yeardley baptyzed the 13 of June.
- 1543. Anne Yeardley baptyzed the 16 of September.
- 1544. Anne Yeardley baptyzed the 16 of September.
- 1545. Susan Yeardley baptyzed the 13 of Julye.
- 1546. Edward Yeardley baptyzed the 3 of April.
- 1547. Robert Yeardley was baptyzed the 3 of June.
- 1549. Symon Yeardley was baptyzed the 10 of November.
- 1555. Ollyver Yeardlie Baptyzed the 6 of Julye.
- 1557. Margarette Yeardley was baptyzed the 11th day of November.
- 1557. Margarette Yeardley was buried the 19th day of November.
- 1557. Humfrye Yeardlie was Buryed the 22nd day of December.
- 1565. Annes Yeardley was baptized the 14th day of October.
- 1565. Annes Yeardley was buried the 24th day of October.
- 1566. Anne Yeardlie was baptized the 2nd day of September.
- 1567. Anne Yeardlie was buried the 12th day of October.
- 1575. Robert Yardlye, husbandman, and Ellynor Morgan were married  
 the 30th day of Januarye.

(To be continued)